

# Children, Youth, and Family Services

## FUNCTION

The mission of Children, Youth, and Family Services is to promote opportunities for children to grow up safe, healthy, ready for school, and for families and individuals to be self-sufficient. This mission is realized through the provision of protection, prevention, intervention, and treatment services for children and their families and through education, support, and financial assistance for parents, caretakers, and individuals. These services work to build on the strengths of both the individual and the Community in addressing issues of child development, abuse, neglect, health, and economic security.

## PROGRAM CONTACTS

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## PROGRAM DESCRIPTIONS

### Child Welfare Services

This program provides protective, rehabilitative, and supportive services for children who are maltreated and for their families. This program also provides supportive and financial help to relatives, foster, and adoptive parents. Investigations, protective services, kinship care, foster care, adoption, and in-home aide services are also provided through this program. Family Preservation Services provide social services to families with children who are at risk of removal from home due to neglect or abuse.

Program Performance Measures	Actual FY07	Actual FY08	Estimated FY09	Approved FY10	Projected FY11
Percent of reduction in the number of children placed in out-of-home care <sup>1</sup>	NA	NA	10	5	5

<sup>1</sup> In FY09, the aggressive use of relatives and community members enabled more children to remain with their parents or in the community.

FY10 Approved Changes	Expenditures	WYs
<b>FY09 Approved</b>	<b>22,126,340</b>	<b>211.0</b>
Reduce: Abolish a vacant Social Work IV Position in Child Welfare Services (CWS)	-93,830	-1.0
Miscellaneous adjustments, including negotiated compensation changes, employee benefit changes, changes due to staff turnover, reorganizations, and other budget changes affecting more than one program	51,680	-0.4
<b>FY10 Approved</b>	<b>22,084,190</b>	<b>209.6</b>

### Conservation Corps

This program seeks to increase the employability of out-of-school, at-risk 17 to 24 year old youth by providing opportunities for personal growth, education, and training. Corps members earn their high school equivalency diploma, receive training, and perform conservation, landscape, and carpentry projects. Program participants also build trails, homeless shelters, handicap access ramps, and run a recycling program.

Program Performance Measures	Actual FY07	Actual FY08	Estimated FY09	Approved FY10	Projected FY11
Percentage of Corps members with prior criminal or juvenile justice involvement who remained free of charges while enrolled in the program	94	92	93	93	93

FY10 Approved Changes	Expenditures	WYs
<b>FY09 Approved</b>	<b>843,450</b>	<b>27.3</b>
Miscellaneous adjustments, including negotiated compensation changes, employee benefit changes, changes due to staff turnover, reorganizations, and other budget changes affecting more than one program	13,280	-0.1
<b>FY10 Approved</b>	<b>856,730</b>	<b>27.2</b>

### Linkages to Learning

This program is a collaboration among HHS, Montgomery County Public Schools, and local public and private human service agencies to provide school-based prevention and early intervention services to students and families of elementary and middle school communities with the highest indicators of poverty. These integrated social, health, mental health and educational support services are designed to address the non-academic issues that may interfere with a child's success in school.

<b>Program Performance Measures</b>	<b>Actual FY07</b>	<b>Actual FY08</b>	<b>Estimated FY09</b>	<b>Approved FY10</b>	<b>Projected FY11</b>
Number of children served in ongoing (case management and/or mental health) services	3,573	3,573	3,600	3,600	3,600
Percentage of clients satisfied with services	95	94	90	90	90

<b>FY10 Approved Changes</b>	<b>Expenditures</b>	<b>WYs</b>
<b>FY09 Approved</b>	<b>5,175,820</b>	<b>5.6</b>
Decrease Cost: Linkages to Learning New Site Start-Up Funding	-25,000	0.0
Decrease Cost: Linkages to Learning Contractor Vacancies	-50,000	0.0
Miscellaneous adjustments, including negotiated compensation changes, employee benefit changes, changes due to staff turnover, reorganizations, and other budget changes affecting more than one program	99,700	0.0
<b>FY10 Approved</b>	<b>5,200,520</b>	<b>5.6</b>

## Juvenile Justice Services

The primary function of Juvenile Justice Services is to support the County's comprehensive Juvenile Justice Plan by integrating screening, assessment, case management, community services, and treatment with the juvenile justice legal process. These programs serve youth involved in, or at risk for involvement in, the juvenile justice system, as well as youth who are not in the system, but are in need of treatment for substance abuse or other services. HHS works in partnership with the Police Department Family Crimes Division, the Maryland Department of Juvenile Services, the Juvenile Division of the Circuit Court, Montgomery County Public Schools, the Collaboration Council and other relevant agencies and non-profit organizations.

<b>Program Performance Measures</b>	<b>Actual FY07</b>	<b>Actual FY08</b>	<b>Estimated FY09</b>	<b>Approved FY10</b>	<b>Projected FY11</b>
Percentage of offenders under age 18 who are diverted to substance abuse education or mental health treatment programs who do not re-enter the correction system within twelve months of assessment <sup>1</sup>	99	TBD	98	98	99

<sup>1</sup> The correction system refers to the juvenile justice or adult correction systems. Assessment is done to determine compliance with requirements. Loss of a Therapist position in FY10 will result in 100-150 fewer youth being served.

<b>FY10 Approved Changes</b>	<b>Expenditures</b>	<b>WYs</b>
<b>FY09 Approved</b>	<b>4,881,060</b>	<b>18.7</b>
Add: Gang Prevention Coordination Assistance Program Grant	197,360	0.0
Decrease Cost: Shift contract Outpatient juvenile sex offender services to County clinics	-54,450	0.0
Miscellaneous adjustments, including negotiated compensation changes, employee benefit changes, changes due to staff turnover, reorganizations, and other budget changes affecting more than one program	-7,290	-1.0
<b>FY10 Approved</b>	<b>5,016,680</b>	<b>17.7</b>

Notes: Miscellaneous adjustments includes 1 workyear RIP abolishment.

## Quality Enhancement of Early Childhood Services

This program focuses on increasing the quality of early care and education programs available to young children throughout Montgomery County through technical assistance, consultation, and training for providers, and helping parents choose quality child care through counseling and referrals. This program also includes the development of strategies to increase the supply of quality early care and education programs and services.

<b>Program Performance Measures</b>	<b>Actual FY07</b>	<b>Actual FY08</b>	<b>Estimated FY09</b>	<b>Approved FY10</b>	<b>Projected FY11</b>
Percentage of family child care workforce who successfully completed one or more trainings offered by the Montgomery County Child Care Resource and Referral Center	NA	53	53	53	53

<b>FY10 Approved Changes</b>	<b>Expenditures</b>	<b>WYs</b>
<b>FY09 Approved</b>	<b>2,845,410</b>	<b>14.8</b>
Add: CentroNia for early childhood education in Takoma Park	340,000	0.0
Enhance: Child Care Resource and Referral Grant	64,000	0.0
Decrease Cost: Patrial Funding for Training Incentives for New Child Care Providers	-8,000	0.0
Eliminate: Judith P. Hoyer Enhancement Grant Module I	-30,000	0.0
Decrease Cost: Early Childhood Services--Abolish a vacant Part-Time Therapist II Position	-51,150	-0.5
Reduce: Learning Parties Coordination--Abolish a filled Program Specialist II Position	-111,820	-1.0
Miscellaneous adjustments, including negotiated compensation changes, employee benefit changes, changes due to staff turnover, reorganizations, and other budget changes affecting more than one program	-180,420	0.0
<b>FY10 Approved</b>	<b>2,868,020</b>	<b>13.3</b>

Notes: Miscellaneous adjustments includes the elimination of one time only funds for the Pre-Kindergarten Pilot.

## Parent Support Services

These services, delivered through contracts between HHS, the State, and private non-profits, support parents as their children's first and most important teacher. The services primarily target families and children with risk factors such as poverty, health issues, and isolation. They include voluntary screening of newborns and services such as "Learning Parties," home visits, health and parenting education, screening of children to identify special needs, and family support.

Program Performance Measures	Actual FY07	Actual FY08	Estimated FY09	Approved FY10	Projected FY11
Percentage of families that are receiving parent support services that do not have involvement with child welfare by the time the child is five years old	100	100	100	100	100

FY10 Approved Changes	Expenditures	WYs
<b>FY09 Approved</b>	<b>621,450</b>	<b>0.0</b>
Miscellaneous adjustments, including negotiated compensation changes, employee benefit changes, changes due to staff turnover, reorganizations, and other budget changes affecting more than one program	12,120	0.0
<b>FY10 Approved</b>	<b>633,570</b>	<b>0.0</b>

## Services to Children with Special Needs

This program, more commonly known as the Infants and Toddlers Program, provides evaluation, assessment, family support and early intervention services to families with children from birth to age three when there is a concern about development or when a developmental delay is documented. The services are delivered using a family-centered approach and are provided by staff employed by Montgomery County Public Schools, HHS, and private community service providers.

Program Performance Measures	Actual FY07	Actual FY08	Estimated FY09	Approved FY10	Projected FY11
Number of children served	3,485	3,632	3,632	3,632	3,632
Percentage of families that understand their child's special needs	82	82	82	82	82

FY10 Approved Changes	Expenditures	WYs
<b>FY09 Approved</b>	<b>2,282,050</b>	<b>9.9</b>
Enhance: Infants & Toddlers Program Grant-Thornton	938,290	0.0
Add: Infants and Toddlers Consolidated Loan Implementation Grant (CLIG) (Medicaid Revenue)	250,000	0.0
Add: Infants and Toddlers Consolidated Local Implementation Grant (CLIG) (Impact Aide)	25,000	0.0
Add: Infants and Toddlers Consolidated Local Implementation Grant (CLIG) (Part B 619)	9,000	0.0
Miscellaneous adjustments, including negotiated compensation changes, employee benefit changes, changes due to staff turnover, reorganizations, and other budget changes affecting more than one program	51,090	0.0
<b>FY10 Approved</b>	<b>3,555,430</b>	<b>9.9</b>

## Child Care Subsidies

This program provides child care subsidies and support for eligible low-income families who work or are in a work activity and families receiving Temporary Cash Assistance and actively participating in job search or job preparation or another work activity. The Child Care Subsidy Program is the single point of entry for both the State and Federally-funded Purchase of Care program and the County's Working Parents Assistance program.

Program Performance Measures	Actual FY07	Actual FY08	Estimated FY09	Approved FY10	Projected FY11
Number of families authorized to receive a subsidy (per fiscal year) <sup>1</sup>	552	547	550	550	550

<sup>1</sup> This is calculated as the number of families with approved vouchers for any portion of the fiscal year. Note that not all approved vouchers are fully used.

FY10 Approved Changes	Expenditures	WYs
<b>FY09 Approved</b>	<b>10,861,960</b>	<b>26.0</b>
Decrease Cost: Abolish a vacant Office Services Coordinator Position in Income Supports and Child Care Subsidy Programs	-53,410	-1.0
Miscellaneous adjustments, including negotiated compensation changes, employee benefit changes, changes due to staff turnover, reorganizations, and other budget changes affecting more than one program	-231,320	-2.3
<b>FY10 Approved</b>	<b>10,577,230</b>	<b>22.7</b>

Notes: Miscellaneous adjustments include the abolishment of an Account Auditor HB669 position and an unfunded workyear reduction.

## Income Supports

This program serves low-income families and individuals facing significant challenges by providing basic resources of cash assistance, food supplements, and medical assistance. This program determines eligibility for: Temporary Cash Assistance (TCA) (formerly Aid to Families with Dependent Children); Temporary Disability Assistance Program (TDAP); Refugee Cash Assistance (RCA); Food Stamps (FS); Community Medical Assistance (MA); and Refugee Medical Assistance. This program also manages a required employment program for applicants and recipients of TCA.

<b>Program Performance Measures</b>	<b>Actual FY07</b>	<b>Actual FY08</b>	<b>Estimated FY09</b>	<b>Approved FY10</b>	<b>Projected FY11</b>
Number of Food Stamp household cases	11,310	11,758	13,900	15,000	16,100
Percentage (increase) in families accessing Food Stamps as a support to self sufficiency measured as the number of families applying for Food Stamp assistance (compared to FY05 as the base year)	6	40	57	76	95
Average 12 month earnings gain rate for current and former Temporary Cash Assistance (TCA) recipients that are placed in jobs (%)	51	NA	50	50	50
Average 12 month job retention rate for current and former TCA recipients who are placed in jobs (%)	80	NA	75	75	75

<b>FY10 Approved Changes</b>	<b>Expenditures</b>	<b>WYs</b>
<b>FY09 Approved</b>	<b>15,025,440</b>	<b>140.7</b>
Increase Cost: Emergency Safety Net Program for two sites in Gaithersburg and Wheaton	291,210	7.1
Miscellaneous adjustments, including negotiated compensation changes, employee benefit changes, changes due to staff turnover, reorganizations, and other budget changes affecting more than one program	98,640	-0.6
<b>FY10 Approved</b>	<b>15,415,290</b>	<b>147.2</b>

## Child and Adolescent Services

Services provided through this program include respite care, community empowerment efforts, and single-parent family services, family services, youth services, and family outreach efforts. The program also provides for the coordination, planning, and implementation of a number of key interagency initiatives among public and private agencies in the community to meet the needs of children, youth, and their families.

<b>Program Performance Measures</b>	<b>Actual FY07</b>	<b>Actual FY08</b>	<b>Estimated FY09</b>	<b>Approved FY10</b>	<b>Projected FY11</b>
Percentage of juveniles who received services from these contract providers and demonstrated a reduction in risky behavior	NA	NA	80	80	80

<b>FY10 Approved Changes</b>	<b>Expenditures</b>	<b>WYs</b>
<b>FY09 Approved</b>	<b>3,632,800</b>	<b>4.2</b>
Add: Latin American Youth Center, Inc. - Support for the Maryland Multicultural Youth Centers	140,000	0.0
Add: Asian American LEAD - Provides after school academic enrichment programs to low-income Asian American residents	125,000	0.0
Add: Community Bridges, Inc. - Leadership and empowerment programs for immigrant and low-income adolescent girls	117,600	0.0
Add: Maryland Vietnamese Mutual Association, Inc. - Support for the Vietnamese American Community	70,000	0.0
Increase Cost: Washington Youth Foundation	70,000	0.0
Add: Latin American Youth Center, Inc. - Program to maintain safety and security for at-risk youth by gang prevention and intervention with families	60,000	0.0
Reduce: George B. Thomas Learning Academy Saturday School Funding	-100,000	0.0
Reduce: SHARP Suspension Program Funding	-342,980	0.0
Miscellaneous adjustments, including negotiated compensation changes, employee benefit changes, changes due to staff turnover, reorganizations, and other budget changes affecting more than one program	-250,400	0.0
<b>FY10 Approved</b>	<b>3,522,020</b>	<b>4.2</b>

Notes: Miscellaneous adjustments include the shift of \$290K in contract funding to other programs in Children, Youth, and Family Services and Aging and Disability Services.

## Service Area Administration

This program provides leadership and direction for the administration of Children, Youth, and Family Services.

<b>FY10 Approved Changes</b>	<b>Expenditures</b>	<b>WYs</b>
<b>FY09 Approved</b>	<b>361,310</b>	<b>2.9</b>

	<i>Expenditures</i>	<i>WYs</i>
Miscellaneous adjustments, including negotiated compensation changes, employee benefit changes, changes due to staff turnover, reorganizations, and other budget changes affecting more than one program	9,550	0.0
<b>FY10 Approved</b>	<b>370,860</b>	<b>2.9</b>

